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Applicants: Ronald M. Evans et al.
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For: Means For The Modulation of
Processes Mediated By Retinoid
Receptors and Compounds Useful Therefor
Accorded benefit of: U.S. Application
07/809,980, filed 12/18/91

The case referred to above has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with other cases hereafter specified. Attention is directed to the fact that this interference is declared pursuant to 37 CFR 1.601 et seq., as amended. See Notice of Final Rule, 60 Fed. Reg. 14488 (March 17, 1995), corrections printed in 60 Fed. Reg. 16920 (April 3, 1995). See also 1173 O.G. 384 (April 18, 1995). The interference is designated as No. 103,842.

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Title: PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF PREMALIGNANT
EPITHELIAL LESIONS AND MALIGNANT TUMORS
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COUNT 1

A method for treating patients having premalignant or precancerous epithelial lesions to retard the progression of these lesions into carcinomas comprising administering to said patient a composition containing a compound selected from the group consisting of 9-cis-retinoic acid, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and its pharmaceutically acceptable hydrolyzable esters said compound being administered in an amount effective to treat said lesions.

The claims of the parties which correspond to the count are:

Bollag et al.: Claims 1-6

Evans et al. : Claim 51

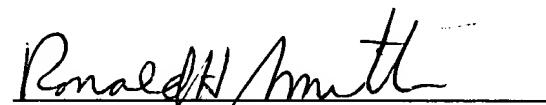
COUNT 2

A method for treating tumors of epithelial origin in patients to retard the development of these tumors comprising administering to said patient a composition containing a compound selected from the group consisting of 9-cis-retinoic acid, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and its pharmaceutically acceptable hydrolyzable esters, said compound being administered in an amount effective to retard the development of said tumors.

The claims of the parties which correspond to the count are:

Bollag et al: Claims 7-13

Evans et al : Claims 36, 38-40, 52


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